

Today, Congressman Quigley delivered the following remarks on the House floor:

Thank you, Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker, the United States and Israel have long shared an important friendship. That friendship is rooted in close moral and strategy bonds built on common values, common interest, and common concerns. Today that friendship is being tested.

But we must not allow ourselves to be distracted from the concerns and goals that bring us together. The threat of a nuclear Iran is too great and the peace process is too important for us to spend more time engaging in critical rhetoric of our most important ally.

It is time to put aside the rhetoric and reaffirm our bonds with Israel. We must make it clear we are united in our opposition to a nuclear Iran. While no one gains by an escalation of tensions, we must make it clear that we value and support our relationship with the state and people of Israel.